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Friday Update

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Dear Families,

The 4th quarter is underway and already picking up steam! Thanks to our PTA for recently hosting not one, but TWO movie nights. Both the Sensory Friendly event last week and Wednesday Evening were successes. We look forward to a number of events coming up in the final stretch of the school year, including our Spring Open House/PTA Eagles Story Hour (Open Mic)/Classroom Art Project Foundation Fundraiser! Yes, three exciting events wrapped into one night - it all starts with an open house at 5:30 PM.

As we enter into the late April and May, we also begin to think about and begin planning for the 2023-2024 School Year. In the coming weeks, our staff will begin to work on creating classroom sections for the next school year. In order to help this process, families of students in kindergarten-4th grade are invited to complete this optional [FORM/SURVEY](#) to provide information to assist us as we begin to create class sections for next year. This process will continue for the next few months and families will be informed, by email, of their child's teacher in the middle of August.

Alameda Bike Bus Turns One: Check out this [great video celebrating](#) the 1st Birthday of the Alameda Bike Bus! A big thank you to Coach Balto and the incredible volunteers who make the bike bus a possibility - see you next week!

Breakfast Reminder: If your child would like to eat breakfast at school, here are a few reminders: Breakfast is served between 8:30 - 8:40 AM in the cafeteria. Students should come to the front door and be buzzed into the building. Students stay in the cafeteria until the bell at 8:40 and then go to class. Breakfast is NOT FREE (unless students already qualify for free lunch) - it costs \$1.60. Please make sure your child has money on their card. You can either pay Darlene in the kitchen or go to <https://www.pps.net/nutrition> to pay online.

Come help in the Garden on this Saturday, April 22nd from 10 AM - NOON (please note the corrected time.)

- What: We will be weeding existing beds (22!), moving some flower bulbs, and adding 6 cubic yards of soil/compost to the garden beds. We also will be repairing a couple of beds.
- What to bring: Weeding tools, wheelbarrow, rake, shovels for digging, shovels for loading compost into wheelbarrows (snow shovels are great!). Wear sturdy shoes and make sure to bring water to drink.

Questions or want to help in the garden, but can't make it April 22nd?

Reach out to Bonny Cushman for more details - bonnybcushman@gmail.com or (503) 422-6694

TAG Updates/Information:

The referral and identification process is complete for students that were referred in the fall. Letters (via snail mail) will be sent to families directly from the TAG Department. If you referred your child and haven't received a letter by early May, please reach out to Abby Largo.

The referral and identification process for spring is still ongoing. If you referred your child in the spring window, final identifications will be made by the end of the year. When made, you'll receive a letter directly from the TAG Department.

For those families interested in referring their child for TAG identification, the next referral window will be in the fall. We always hold a Parent Information Night in the fall to answer questions about the process.

PTA Needs your Support: Are you interested in the PTA board? Various positions are available - please give it some thought! Nominations for the 2023-2024 PTA board are open now. Open positions include: Secretary; VP of Fundraising; VP of Communications; VP Volunteer Coordination; VP Curriculum; VP of Equity and Inclusion. Many of these positions have a small lift. It requires just a few hours a month, and makes such a huge difference for our students, staff, and

community! If you would like more information or are interested in volunteering, reach out to secretary@alamedaschool.org.

The Beaumont Middle School Foundation is holding its Carnival next Friday April 28th from 5-8pm in the Beaumont gym and cafeteria, and Alameda and Rigler 5th graders/rising Beaumont 6th graders and their families are invited to attend as well! Presale of Beaumont Carnival tickets will occur during Tuesday April 25th thru Thursday April 27th during all lunch periods and after school outside of the Beaumont cafeteria. There is no charge or fee to get into the Carnival, however, purchased tickets are necessary to play games and to buy food and drink. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

I hope you have a great weekend!

Regards,
[Matt Goldstein](#)

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